



## **GOVERNOR'S TASK FORCE ON CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT**

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HONORABLE Kenneth L. Tacoma  
Chairperson

The Honorable Gail Haines  
Michigan House of Representatives  
892 Anderson House Office Building  
P.O. Box 30014  
Lansing, Michigan 48909

September 16, 2013

Re: HB No. 4962

Dear Representative Haines,

This letter is submitted on behalf of the Governor's Task Force on Child Abuse and Neglect. By charge of the Governor, this Task Force reviews and recommends improvements to Michigan's investigative, administrative, and judicial handling of child abuse and neglect cases.

At its September 13, 2013 meeting, the Task Force received a report and discussed the provisions of HB 4962 dealing with the Safe Sleep Initiative. On recommendation of the GTFCAN Legislation Committee, the Task Force unanimously supported the legislation, in concept, understanding that there may be some revisions offered, and with that possibility, we reserve the right to further review the bill as amended.

The Task Force always welcomes the opportunity to share its resources with you. You may contact the Chair of our Legislation Committee, the Honorable Robert Sykes, who may be reached at: (616) 527-5326 or [rsykes@ioniacounty.org](mailto:rsykes@ioniacounty.org).

Thank you for your time and effort on behalf of the children of Michigan.

Sincerely,

Hon. Kenneth L. Tacoma  
Chairperson

Cc: Honorable Robert Sykes, Legislative Committee Chair  
Mr. Neal Bishop, Legislative Director for Representative Haines